

Remarks

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-3, 5-9, 11 and 12 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over US Patent 5,879,265 to Bek in view of US Patent 6,885,920 to Yakes. However, the Examiner has indicated that claim 10 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claims 6, 8, 9 and 10 and claims 6, 8, 9 and 10 have been cancelled.

In conclusion, it is believed that this application is in condition for allowance, and such allowance is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephonic conference would be useful in furthering the present application toward allowance, the undersigned attorney would welcome such a call.

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